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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Atsuo TERAOKA, et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING THERMOPLASTIC RESIN FOAM

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on January 24, 2003, for the above-identified application.

Applicants elect Group II, claims 3 - 16, without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected Group

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Respectfully submitted,



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